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SIR:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 10, 2000 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This is an Amendment response to the Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 10, 2000 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the January 10, 2000 Office Action was due April 10, 2000. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time from April 10, 2000 to July 10, 2000. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$435.00) and a check in this amount is enclosed. Applicants have previously established small-entity status. Therefore, a response to the January 10, 2000 Office Action is now due July 10, 2000 and this Amendment is being timely filed.

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